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EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: CASC, VT, CU, PO
SUBJ: LAWRENCE K. LUNT, AMERICAN IMPRISONED IN CUBA

1. IN BRIEF EXCHANGE DURING COCKTAIL PARTY AT US EMBASSY RESIDENCE, MAY 10, DCM RAISED SUBJECT WITH JUNTA MEMBER GENERAL GALVAO DE MELO. LATTER STATED THAT HE HAS BEEN DELEGATED BY JUNTA TO HANDLE THE MATTER AND HE COULD ASSURE US THAT WE NEED HAVE NO WORRY ABOUT THE PERALTA CASE. ASKED IF HE MEANT THAT NO DECISION HAD YET BEEN REACHED ON THE MATTER, HE SAID THAT A DECISION HAS BEEN TAKEN, BUT THAT WE COULD BE CONFIDENT THAT THE JUNTA HAD THE US INTEREST IN THE CASE VERY MUCH IN MIND.

2. GSLVAO DE MELO HAS MADE APPOINTMENT TO SEE DCM AT LATTER'S RESIDENCE THIS AFTERNOON ON ANOTHER TOPIC AT WHICH TIME DCM WILL ATTEMPT PROBE FURTHER. HOWEVER, WE INTERPRET HIS ASSURANCE TO MEAN THAT GOP DOES NOT INTEND TO RELEASE PERALTA UNTIL IT HAS ASSURANCE THAT LUNT WILL BE RELEASED SIMULTANEOUSLY. THIS MAY NOT HAPPEN SOON, SINCE GOP MAY WELL BE ATTEMPTING SECURE OTHER CONCESSIONS MORE DIRECTLY RELATED TO THEIR OWN INTERESTS FROM CUBAN GOVERNMENT.
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